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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on January 2, 2001, Applicant submits the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

(Fourth Amended) A method of monitoring the operational status of components in computer comprising the acts of:

generating a notification about the status of at least one component in the computer, said notification comprising a first code which contains data about said component, said first code having a first data length;

receiving said notification unfiltered at a remote computer;

allowing a user to selectively disable or enable a future display of said notification by selecting or deselecting a corresponding notification type in a graphic display; and

transforming said notification into an automatically displayed user-friendly display message comprising a second data length, wherein said second data length is significantly greater than said first data length.